

Tuesday Morning, November 15, 2011			
7:30 am	Conference Registration -- In Main Lobby		
Time	General Session - Diamond 4-5 Ballroom		
8:30 - 8:45 am	Welcome, Presentation of Colors, Pledge of Allegiance Councilman Bruce Lear , City of Kearney Nebraska Wind Working Group Co-Chairs: Former Senator Cap Dierks , Ewing John Hansen , President, Nebraska Farmers Union Dan McGuire , Facilitator, NREL/DOE Nebraska Wind for Schools		
8:45 – 10:30 am	Nebraska Wind Power Basics Moderator: John Hansen , Nebraska Wind Working Group Co-Chair Public Power 101: Dean Mueller , Division Manager , Sustainable Energy & Environmental Stewardship, Omaha Public Power District Wind Power 101: Dr. Jerry Hudgins , Chair, UNL Electrical Engineering Department A Developer's Perspective on Project Siting Issues: Tom Swierczewski , Project Developer, Midwest Wind Energy, LLC Nebraska Public Power District's Approach To Wind Development: John Richards , Engineer, NPPD		
10:30 - 11:00 am	Tuesday Morning Break - Exhibition Area - Crystal 2-4 Ballroom Sponsored by Third Planet Wind		
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11:00 - 11:45 am	EPA Regulation Impacts on Coal Plants Moderator: Shelley Sahling Zart , Vice President & General Counsel, Lincoln Electric System Joe Citta, Jr. Corporate Environmental Manager, Nebraska Public Power District Russ Baker , Manager, Environmental and Regulatory Affairs, Omaha Public Power District	The Legal Rules of the Road for Transmission Right of Way for Landowners Moderator: David Levy , Project Developer Legal Counsel Baird Holm LLP John Crossley , Partner, Husch Blackwell LLP Russell Westerhold , Fraser Stryker	Small Wind Hardware Standards, Testing, and Certification Moderator: Danielle Jensen , Public & Legislative Liaison, Nebraska Energy Office Trudy Forsyth , National Renewable Energy Laboratory
12:00 - 1:15	Noon Luncheon - Main Diamond Ballroom Keynote: James J. Hoecker, Senior Counsel & Energy Strategist, Hush Blackwell Former Chairman Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 1997 to 2001		

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1:25 - 2:10	Nebraska Wind Development Progress Report Moderator: Cap Dierks , NWWG Co-Chair John O'Connor , Renewable Energy Program Manager, NPPD Christene Bywater , Project Manager, Sustainable Energy and Environmental Stewardship, OPPD	The Local Economic Impact of Wind Projects Moderator: Ken Lempke , NPPD Ross Knott , President, Petersburg State Bank & Boone County Economic Development Group	AWEA Annual Small Wind Report Moderator: Dan McGuire NREL/WPA Nebraska Wind for Schools Facilitator Larry Flowers , Deputy Director of Community and Distributed Wind for AWEA
2:15 - 3:00	A Strategic Roundtable Discussion on the Direction of Wind Energy Development: Midwest vs Offshore Moderator: Dan McGuire , NWWG Co-Chair James Hoecker , Senior Counsel & Energy Strategist, Husch Blackwell Larry Flowers , Deputy Director of Community and Distributed Wind for AWEA Dan Juhl , CEO, Juhl Wind, Inc. Woodstock, Minnesota	The Challenges of Managing a Wind Farm Moderator: Patrick Dalseth , Midwest Wind Energy, LCC Todd Moody , O & M Manager, Elkhorn Ridge, Edison Mission, Bloomfield Matthew Winter , O & M Manager, Laredo Ridge, Edison Mission, Petersburg Chuck Troia , Manager, NPPD Ainsworth Wind Energy Facility	Small Wind Installers Education & Credentials & Turbine Credentials Moderator: Cap Dierks , NWWG Co-Chair Trudy Forsyth , National Renewable Energy Laboratory
3:00 – 3:30	Tuesday Afternoon Break - Exhibition Area -Crystal 2-4 Ballroom Sponsored by Fraser Stryker		
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3:30-4:15	Citizen Involvement and Benefits of Transmission Moderator : John Hansen , NWWG Co-Chair Dorothy Barnett , Director of Energy & Transmission, Heartland Alliance for Regional Transmission Johnathan Hladik , Energy Policy Advocate, Center For Rural Affairs	Aviation Siting Considerations Moderator: Rich Lombardi , Lobbyist for Wind Coalition, American Communications Group Russ Gasper , Executive Director, Nebraska Department of Aeronautics	National Perspectives on Small Wind Moderator: Michael Shonka, Sustainability Instructor, Metro Community College Trudy Forsyth , NREL Larry Flowers , Deputy Dir. of Community and Distributed Wind for AWEA
4:25–5:15	NPPD Springview II Wind Farm Moderator: Adam Herink , Bluestem, LLC David Rich , Sustainable Energy Manager Nebraska Public Power District Rich Walters , General Manager, Ainsworth KBR Rural Public Power District Deb Yocum , USDA Rural Development	A Review of Landowner Wind Contracts Moderator: John Hansen , NWWG Co-Chair Darrel Hayak , Saline County Wind Assn, LLC John Snow , Hackstaff Law Group, LLC Denver, Colorado	County Planning and Zoning Issues For Large and Small Wind Moderator: Graham Christensen , NEFU John Richards , Engineer, NPPD Keith Marvin , Marvin Planning Consultants Robert Byrnes , Chairman Nebraska Renewable Energy Association
5:15 -7:30	Tuesday Evening Reception - Exhibition Area - Crystal 2-4 Ballroom		

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7:30 am	Conference Registration -- In Main Lobby		
7:30 – 9:00 am	Exhibits & Registration Open – Crystal 2-4 Ballroom		
9:00 – 10:00 am	Exciting New Electrical Storage Possibilities That Help Firm Up Wind Energy Reliability Moderator: Christene Bywater , Project Manager, Sustainable Energy and Environmental Stewardship, Omaha Public Power District Dan Juhl , CEO, Juhl Wind, Inc. Woodstock, Minnesota Mike Matheson , Senior Engineer Generation Strategist, Nebraska Public Power District	Landowner Association Wind Recruitment Strategies Moderator: Graham Christensen Public Affairs Director, NE Farmers Union David Vavra , Saline County Wind Association, LLC George Johnson , Chairman, Cherry County Wind Energy Association	Wind for Schools Moderator: Dan McGuire NREL/WPA Nebraska Wind for Schools Facilitator Larry Flowers , Deputy Director, Distributed and Community Wind, AWEA Joel Jacobs , Associate Director UNL Wind Application Center Chad Johnson , Community Relations/Education Specialist, NPPD
10:00 – 10:30 am	Wednesday Morning Break - Exhibition Area - Crystal 2-4 Ballroom Sponsored by Third Planet Wind		
10:30 – 11:50 am	Maximizing The Big Potential For Smaller Wind Projects: Two To Twenty MW's Roundtable Discussion Moderator: John Hansen , NWWG Co-Chair Dan Juhl , CEO, Juhl Wind, Inc. Woodstock, Minnesota Larry Flowers , Deputy Director, Distributed and Community Wind, AWEA Adam Herink , Bluestem, LLC Jim Hotovy , NPPD, Transmission Services Consultant	State & Federal Environmental & Wildlife Considerations for Wind Projects & the Permitting Process Moderator: Ginger Willson , Director Nebraska Energy Office Stephen Bruckner , Partner, Fraser Stryker PC LLO David Levy , Project Developer Legal Counsel, Baird Holm, LLP Michael Montgomery , Partner, Husch Blackwell LLP	Wind Training Programs and Higher Education Serving Nebraska's Wind Industry Moderator: Joel Jacobs , Associate Director UNL Wind Application Center Lyle Kathol , Dean of Applied Technology Northeast Community College, Norfolk John Pierce , Program Chair of Energy Generation Operations, Systems Technology Southeast Community College Foster Weyand , International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
12:00 – 1:15 pm	Wednesday Lunch - Main Diamond Ballroom Keynote: Nick Brown, CEO & President, Southwest Power Pool		

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1:25 – 2:30 pm	<p>Growing the Grid The Wind Farm to Market Highway</p> <p>Moderator: Jason Fortik, Vice President, Power Supply Division, Lincoln Electric System</p> <p>Nick Brown, CEO & President, Southwest Power Pool</p> <p>Paul Malone, Nebraska Public Power District</p> <p>Larry Flowers, Deputy Director, Distributed and Community Wind, AWEA</p>		<p>Wind Energy Education for Public Schools Teacher Training in Wind Energy Basics</p> <p>Dr. Jerry Hudgins, Chairman, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Nebraska-Lincoln</p> <p>Joel Jacobs, Associate Director UNL Wind Application Center</p> <p>Break</p>
2:30 – 3:00 pm	<p>Wednesday Afternoon Break - Exhibition Area -Crystal 2-4 Ballroom Sponsored by Trade Wind Energy</p>		
3:00 – 3:45 pm	<p>Nebraska Transmission Advocacy Group</p> <p>Moderator: Dan Lenihan, Manager, Transmission and Distribution Planning, Omaha Public Power District</p> <p>Andy Pollock, Nebraska Energy Export Association</p> <p>Paul Malone, Nebraska Public Power District</p> <p>Carl Monroe, Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer, Southwest Power Pool</p>		<p>Wind Energy Education for Public Schools Teacher Training in Wind Energy Basics Continued</p> <p>Dr. Jerry Hudgins, Chairman, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Nebraska-Lincoln</p> <p>Joel Jacobs, Associate Director UNL Wind Application Center</p>
3:45-pm	<p>Diamond 4-5 Ballroom General Wrap Up, Comments, & Topics For Next Time</p>		